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1. WITH REFERENCE PARA 4, REFTEL, EMBASSY SUGGESTS FOLLOWING AS SUBSTANCE OF NOTE WE PROPOSE SEND TO FONOFF. APPRECIATE DEPT VIEWS BOTH AS TO DRAFT NOTE AND PROCEDURE TO BE FOLLOWED. BELIEVE IT WOULD BE USEFUL TO HAVE GOA UNDERTAKING N PANAM'S MONTEVIDEO AND CHANGE OF GAUGE PROBLEMS CONFIRMED IN WRITING SOONEST.

2. PROPOSED TEXT: EMBASSY REFERS TO FONMIN NOTE NO. 221 OF JANUARY 31 CONCERNING COMMERCIAL AIR TRANSPORT RELATIONS BETWEEN ARGENTINA AND THE US AND TO INFORMAL DISCUSSIONS WHICH HAVE TAKEN PLACE DURING THE PAST MONTHS BETWEEN REPRESENTATIVES OF THE MINISTRY AND THIS EMBASSY AS A PRELIMINARY STEP TO THE PROPOSED RENEWAL OF FORMAL BILATERAL NEGOTIATIONS. IT IS THE VIEW OF THE USG, AND ALSO, ACCORDING TO THE UNDERSTANDING OF THE EMBASSY, THE VIEW OF THE GOA, THAT THESE INFORMAL DISCUSSIONS HAVE GIVEN SATISFACTORY INDICATIONS THAT A CONSTRUCTIVE BASIS EXISTS FOR THE RENEWAL OF FORMAL CONSULTATIONS.

THE GOA HAD SUGGESTED THAT WITHIN THE GENERAL MAY 15-JUNE 15 PERIOD, JUNE 2 WOULD BE SUITABLE DATE FOR THE RESUMPTION OF FORMAL CONSULTATIONS. THE USG
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IS IN AGREEMENT WITH THIS DATE AND PROPOSES WASHINGTON

AS A SITE FOR THE MEETINGS IF THIS IN ACCORD WITH GOA VIEWS. IT IS THE UNDERSTANDING OF THE USG THAT FOR THE PRESENT, AND UP TO AND DURING THE BILATERAL CONSULTATIONS TO COMMENCE JUNE 2, THE APPROPRIATE AUTHORITIES OF THE GOA WILL CONTINUE TO AUTHORIZE PAN AMERICAN WORLD AIRWAYS TO EXTEND A FIFTH ROUND TRIP FLIGHT TO MONTEVIDEO AS A TERMINAL POINT, AS PROVIDED IN PAN AMERICAN'S CURRENT PERMITS, AND TO CARRY OUT A CHANGE OF GAUGE AT CARACAS (VICE PANAMA) ON ONE OF ITS AUTHORIZED FREQUENCIES, FLIGHT 515/516, ORIGINATING ON THE US WEST COAST. THE USG WOULD APPRECIATE THE GOA'S CONFIRMATION OF ITS UNDERSTANDING, WITH THE PRESUMPTION THAT QUESTIONS CONCERNING THESE OPERATIONS WILL BE RESOLVED DURING THE FORMAL CONSULTATIONS. END TEXT.

3. WITH REGARD TO SITE OF CONSULTATIONS, RINALDINI (FONOFF) TOLD ECONCOUNS APRIL 21, IT WAS HIS IMPRESSION GOA WOULD HAVE NO PROBLEM WITH GOING TO WASHINGTON. HOWEVER, HE HAS NOT CONFIRMED THIS. RINALDINI HIMSELF WILL BE OUT OF PICTURE ON TALKS AS HE HAS BEEN TRANSFERRED TO GOA EMBASSY AT TOKYO AND IS LEAVING WITHIN A WEEK. HIS SUCCESSOR HAS NOT YET BEEN NAMED. HILL

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